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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Office to consider the reference CN1336281 submitted in the attached Form 1449 and previously submitted to the Office on November 21, 2006.

The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application. The undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038/10025.0160.PCUS00.

The Examiner is invited to directly contact the undersigned representative by telephone to discuss any issues or questions presented by this paper.

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